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In re application of : Confirmation No. 6940

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action of August 23, 2006, the time for responding thereto being extended for two months in accordance with a Petition for Extension of Time submitted herewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED TO CHARGE ANY DEFICIENCY IN THE FEES FOR THIS PAPER TO DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO. 23-0975